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Fifty-Three Receive Degrees At Blue Mountain

Dr. Means Becomes Secretary Of Education And Promotion

BY E. C. ROUTH

Realizing the necessity for a close coordination of all of our educational activities, the Foreign Mission Board, a few months ago, created the Department of Missionary Education and Promotion. Recently the Board elected as head of this new department, Dr. Frank K. Means, Professor of Missions, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, and he has accepted that position effective at the close of the summer session in Southwestern. Upon his return from Copenhagen he will assume his duties as secretary and will move to Richmond.

Dr. Means is a native of Missouri. He received his academic training in Oklahoma Baptist University from which he was graduated in 1934. After a year's work in Kansas City he entered Southwestern Baptist Seminary where he received the Th.M. and Th.D. degrees. Since his graduation he has rendered distinctive service as Professor of Missions in that institution. He was ordained to the Gospel ministry in 1936, and while a student in the Seminary was pastor of village churches.

In 1939 he was married to Miss



FRANK K. MEANS

Elwyn Walling who has been teaching the Bible in the Fort Worth schools. The Foreign Mission Board counts itself fortunate to secure this cultured, consecrated leader to direct its educational work.

Head And Swor Are Speakers

The seventy-fourth annual commencement of Blue Mountain College began Sunday with the Baccalaureate sermon by Dr. E. D. Head, president, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, and closed Monday with Dr. Chester E. Swor, Jackson, making the commencement address.

Fifty-three graduates received the Bachelor of Arts degree. The diplomas were presented by President Lawrence T. Lowrey.

Dr. Head asked, "What is your life? Is it a vapor vanishing away?" he said, "A good man on a horse represents more progress than a bad man in an airplane."

Dr. Swor admonished, "Dare to be different when you have to be different to be honorable."

The following graduates were awarded the Bachelor of Arts degree: Jean Anderson, Collierville, Tenn.; Hellon Louise Barlow, Pontotoc; Jane Ray Bean, Cox's Creek, Ky.; Cloyce Belcher, Memphis, Tenn.; Bettie Jane Boland, Tralake; Martha Louise Brown, Louisville, Ky.; Kathleen Bush, Pinola; Patsy Cain, Laurens, S. C.; Mary McFarridge Clayton, Ripley; Mary Louise Cox, Collierville, Tenn.; Joan Day, Durant; Hallie Ellzey, Venice, La.; Barbara Faye Ely, Itta Bena; Floris Gore, Marks; Corrine Griffin, Laurel; Peggy Herrington Griffin, New Albany; Edna Mae Gunter, Sal-

lis; Laura Joyce Hall, Meridian; Frances Gene Hannaford, Jackson; Dorothy Adele Harris, Memphis Tenn.; Maryelsie Hawkins, Oxford; Mary Josephine Haynes, Memphis, Tenn.; Anita Headrick, Laurel; Martha Elizabeth Hollis, Derma; Lilly Frances Hood McGill, New Albany, Annie Lou Anthens, Yazoo City.

Dorothy Hopper, Juno, Tenn.; Louise Horton, Chalybeate; Elizabeth Kelly, (Continued on Page Two)

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Church Papers Not Affected In Postal Bill

WASHINGTON, D.C. —(RNS)— The new postal bill (H.R. 3519) which the House Committee on Post Office and Civil Service has decided to sponsor makes no changes in the present rates for publications of religious, fraternal, or scientific organizations.

Nor is there any change in the minimum rate of one cent per piece for bulk mailing of third class matter, or on newspapers and periodicals circulated within the county of publication.

Strong opposition in church circles to the upward revision of rates which would affect religious periodicals had been voiced before the committee during hearings.

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Religion And Medicine Highlighted At Physician's Window Dedication

WASHINGTON, D.C. —(RNS)— Dr. Frank J. Sladen, physician-in-chief at the Henry Ford Hospital, Detroit was the speaker at the dedication of the Physician's Window recently installed in the North Transept of Washington Cathedral. His address was on "Religion and Medicine."

The dedication service was held at 4 p.m. Sunday, June 1, and was attended by members of the medical profession.

The window was given in memory of (Continued on Page Two)

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The Washington Review

CHURCH GROUPS HAIL FOREIGN RELIEF PROGRESS

By Larston D. Farrar

Religious News Service Correspondent

WASHINGTON, D.C. — There was jubilation in religious circles here where the House of Representatives accepted, by a comfortable majority, the conference report on the foreign relief bill providing \$350,000,000 for overseas aid.

Disposition of this bill, not to be confused with the Greek-Turkish aid legislation, had been in doubt for some time. Church lobbyists were sure of the Senate's stand, considering the favorable vote there, but the House of Representatives had chipped the amount down appreciably on the first (Continued on Page Two)

Baptist Secretaries Ask Constitutional Amendment On Church-State Separation

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. —(RNS)— Adoption of a new amendment to the Constitution of the United States to make "very clear and specific" the principle of separation of church and state was urged by the State Secretaries Council of the Northern Baptist Convention in session here.

Meeting prior to the annual assembly of the Northern Baptist Convention, the secretaries from 34 states said

such an amendment would "bring to an end all attempts to circumvent the principle of separation of church and state and preserve for future generations strong guarantees of religious liberty and freedom of worship."

The action was included in a resolution which said that as a result of the recent 5 to 4 decision of the U.S. Supreme Court in the New Jersey bus case "further inroads are being pro-

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Baptist Hospital Graduates Largest Class Of Nurses

The largest class in the history of the Mississippi Baptist hospital's Nurses Training School received diplomas and pins at graduation ceremonies at the First Baptist Church, Jackson, Sunday night, June first.

Miss Isabelle Rice was valedictorian and received the medal for attaining the highest scholastic record. Miss Wanda Rutledge was salutatorian and received the medal for the best all round girl in the class. Medals were presented by Mrs. Karenza Gilfoy, superintendent of the hospital.

The commencement address "The Patient Speaks To The Nurse", was delivered by Harvey Hedgepeth, and at the morning service of the church Dr.

Douglas Hudgins, pastor, brought a special message to the graduates who were honor guests of the church. Pins at the graduation exercises last night were presented the nurses by Mrs. Mary Anita Perez, director of the hospital's School of Nursing. D. C. Simmons, chairman of the board of trustees, presented the diplomas, and Dr. H. F. Garrison, Jr., brought a message from the hospital staff.

Invocation was delivered by Dr. Hudgins and the benediction by Dr. J. B. Parker, institutional worker for the Mississippi Baptist Convention.

Graduates Number 51

Mrs. Gilfoy said that this class of (Continued on Page Two)

Hear Dr. Moore On The Baptist Hour



DR. H. GUY MOORE

Speaker: Dr. H. Guy Moore, Fort Worth, Texas

Subject: "Magnifying The Church."

Date: Sunday morning, June 8, 1947

Stations heard in Mississippi:

WCBI, Columbus; WGRM, Greenwood; WSLI, Jackson; WAML, Laurel at 7:30 CST.

June 15 — Dr. W. S. Allen will speak on "Christ and Education."

FIFTY-THREE RECEIVE DEGREES AT BLUE MOUNTAIN

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Plantersville; Mary Frank Kirkpatrick, Noxapater; Barbara Loden, New Albany; Jean McCarty, Birmingham, Ala.; Jamie McCown, Falkner; Jimmie McKenzie, Greenwood, Julia Mae Martin, Meridian; Mary Evelyn Metts, Winona; Kikuno Miyagi, Los Angeles, Calif.; Donnelle Murphy, Louisville; Mildred Newman, Memphis, Tenn.; Lennie Powell, Mobile, Ala.; Edith Kathryn Rice, Liberty; Billie Lynn Richardson, Louisville; Dorothy Dick Smith, Carthage; Mary Ruth Smith, Blue Mountain; Ruth Sterling, Jackson; Mary Julia Sudduth, McAdams; Sara Sudduth, McAdams; Ruby Lucille Thomas, Millington, Tenn.; Jean Mills Thurmond, Ripley; Joyce Beatrice Tyler, Picayune; Sarah Wages, Blue Mountain; Fone May Wing, Jonestown; Evelyn Wright, Greenfield, Tenn.

In addition to the Bachelor of Arts degree, the following diplomas were given: Speech Arts: Mary Julia Sudduth, Martha Hollis, Peggy Herrington Griffin. Piano: Bettie Jane Bolan, Elizabeth Pearl Kelly.

Violin: Barbara Ely.

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THE WASHINGTON REVIEW CHURCH-STATE SEPARATION

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vote and before the bill went to conference.

A lot of leg work was undertaken by representatives of the National Catholic Welfare Conference, Church World Service representatives from New York, and the Friends Committee on National Legislation. The first two groups worked through the American Council of Voluntary Agencies for the transport of supplies donated by American voluntary and non-profit relief agencies.

One section of the conference report includes these significant words (and they were inserted at the instigation of churchmen who did yeoman work on the Hill):

"In order to supplement the general relief assistance made available under the terms of section 1 and to effect the economical and expanded use of American voluntary relief contributions, funds authorized under this joint resolution, not to exceed \$5,000,000, may be used to pay necessary expenses related to the ocean transportation of supplies donated to or purchased by American voluntary and non-profit relief agencies, and in such quantities and kinds and for such purposes as the President may determine to be essential supplements to the supplies provided for such general relief assistance."

The Church of the Brethren used to have to "give" its supplies to UNRRA, which then would ship them abroad and "give" them back to the Brethren at ports in Europe. The transportation on relief goods runs as high as 20 per cent of the total cost of the goods and it was essential, churchmen felt, that Uncle Sam at least pay for the cost of sending donated relief goods to other nations.

IMMIGRATION

Church representatives here, working away on the so-called Stratton Bill, which would liberalize the immigration laws to allow some 100,000 displaced persons a year to enter the U.S., now see "some hope" for the measure this session.

They say frankly that the hope is slight, but that a continuation of the "grass roots" work being undertaken by the special committee formed by church and other interested groups

BAPTIST HOSPITAL GRADUATES LARGEST CLASS OF NURSES

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51 members was the largest in the history of the school. With the graduation of the 1947 class, the Mississippi Baptist Hospital has given the nursing profession 482 graduate nurses since its establishment in 1910.

Members of the class were: Lavelle Shannon, Margery Poole, Dorothy Davis Biggs, Lavelle Barnett McDerment, Evon Thurmond, Bobbie Hays, Mavis Jones, Olga Hamilton, Verdine Mae Clark, Marian Fosberg, Evelyn Pauline Smith, Lois McDonald Hudson, Elsie M. Roebuck.

Robbie Alford, Martha Lane Chrisholm, Ellen Pearl Elvie, Bobbie Ray Foster, Maxine Garrett, Annie Granberry, Lanell Hamilton, Nancy Lewis Beck, Naomi Monk, Myrtle Ween Myers, Sarah Alice McDaniel, Mary Alice McCrory Rogers, Helen Keys, Mary Ann Potter, Joyce Runnels, Mary Russell, Wanda Rutledge, Christine Toler, Dorothy Till, Jimmie Payne.

Gloria LaNeil Walley, Roberta Brown Field, Dorothy Jean Burnham, Sarah Alize Hilburn, Myrtis Bell Hollingsworth, Lucille Hutcherson, Mildred Grantham, Opaline Johnson, Doris Matthews, Mavis Mixon, Rebecca Rischer, Isabel Rice, Mabel E. Sanders, Anita Selman, Virginia Stogner, Lurline Young, Dorothy Rogers, and Mary Sloan Hollifield.

is increasing the chances of the measure.

Congressman William G. Stratton (R-Ill.), a first-term, said confidently that he believes the bill has a chance to pass and become law. He said the fact that hearings are imminent indicates that the House leadership is not opposed to the legislation.

EVACUATION CLAIMS COMMISSION

Hearings will begin soon before a sub-committee of the House Committee on the Judiciary on the legislation to create an Evacuation Claims Commission, to which Japanese-Americans who were torn from their West Coast homes in 1942 can appeal for financial reimbursement.

Several church groups, notably the Quakers and the Methodists, were instrumental in drafting this legislation, which passed the Senate last year but died in the House of Representatives.

Therefore, the religious representatives this year are concentrating on the House of Representatives first, confident that any legislation approved in that body will be accepted readily by the Senate. The sub-committee which will hold the hearings includes Representatives Gwynne (R-Ia.), chairman; Goodwin (R-Mass.); Case (R-N.J.); Walter (D-Pa.); Bryson (D-S.C.), and Lane (D-Mass.).

RELIGIOUS CENSUS

Although authorized by the 79th Congress, the Census of Religious Bodies hardly is going to be able to get very far under present conditions.

No formal record of it was made on the floor of the House during the debate on appropriations for the Department of Commerce next year, but the multi-million dollar cut suffered by the department included \$400,000 which had been requested to carry on the religious census. This amount was cut down virtually to nothing and Bureau of the Census was given notice to "wind up" this phase of its work.

In effect, the Republicans said that the religious census was "desirable," but not "essential" in view of the fiscal situation confronting the government.

MISCELLANEOUS: Bishop and Mrs.

Northern Baptists Launch Evangelistic Drive

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. — (RNS) — After exceeding by more than \$2,000,000 the \$14,000,000 goal fixed in its World Mission Crusade which closed April 30, the Northern Baptist Convention meeting here, turned from a financial to a spiritual campaign.

A two-year program to be known as "The Crusade for Christ Through Evangelism" was launched. It will start at the level of the denomination's 7,000 churches and extend into the foreign mission field.

In an address opening the evangelistic campaign, Dr. C. Pitt Beers, executive secretary of the American Baptist Home Mission Society, said it was a "natural successor" to the great financial undertaking.

Pointing out that the Southern Bap-

tist Convention, the Methodist Church, and other denominations are either conducting or planning similar evangelist campaigns, Dr. Beers said the drive "has spontaneously and automatically become a movement of Protestantism."

Principal objectives of the campaign, he said, will be: to revitalize use of the Bible; to make Baptists more effective in winning people for Christ than in the past; and to discover the great mass of unchurched people who have no contact with any church.

Dr. Sidney W. Powell, pastor of First Baptist church, St. Paul, Minn., said the Crusade for Christ will be "one hundred times harder than the World Mission Crusade."

BAPTIST SECRETARIES ASK CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ON

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jected into the use of public monies for still other kinds of expenditures—looking for the ultimate support of such schools from public funds."

Immediate recall of Myron C. Taylor from the Vatican was also demanded.

"We urge upon our pastors and our leaders in Christian education," the Council stated, "a program to make our Baptist people aware of the tremendous danger to their most cherished possession of spiritual freedom, and that as Baptists we give voice on every occasion to our strong convictions on the subject."

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RELIGION AND MEDICINE HIGHLIGHTED AT PHYSICIAN'S WINDOW DEDICATION

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Dr. Elmer Burkitt Freeman (one of Baltimore's leading physicians and an internationally known gastroenterologist), by his widow, Rosa Freeman.

The three-lancet window, which is the northernmost in the east wall of the transept, has as its central figure, Christ, the Great Healer. The left lancet depicts Louis Pasteur, and the right, Sir Wilfred Grenfell. Other symbolic figures include a "horse and buggy" doctor racing a stork, a typical modern laboratory scene, Christ healing the leper, the Pool of Bethesda, and various symbols having to do with healing, both spiritual and physical.

The window is the first of a series of three cathedral windows which will recognize outstanding professions and their relationship to religion. The other two will symbolize education and law.

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Sumrall's Short Stories by Lester F.

Sumrall is a collection of true stories printed by request. Many of the stories were told over radio station HCJB, "The Voice of the Andes". The author has spoken for a number of years to peoples of many languages, of every color and varying stages of culture, from primitive jungle Indians in the Gran Chaco Boreal of Paraguay to university students in centers of learning and all of the relished true stories. The book may be ordered from Zondervan Publishing Company, Grand Rapids, Michigan or from the Baptist Book Store for \$1.25.

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The members of the Tocowa Church, Panola County, are rejoicing over the fact that fluorescent lights are to be installed in their building immediately. The floors have recently been refinished.

Baptists Ask Admission Of DPs to United States.

WASHINGTON, D.C. — (RNS) — A resolution asking President Truman and Congress to increase the immigration quota, so that additional thousands of displaced persons may enter this country from Europe, was adopted by the executive committee of the Baptist World Alliance at a meeting here.

According to Dr. W. O. Lewis, executive secretary, who recently toured the displaced persons camps, the percentage of Jews in these camps is "less than the usually estimated 2 per cent."

He said 2,000 Baptists are registered in DP camps, half of them from the Baltic states and the others from the "Slav countries" in southern and southeastern Europe.

Dr. Lewis informed the executive committee that about 700 American Baptists already have signed up to attend the Baptist world meeting in Copenhagen this July and that 300 more are expected to register. He said 4,000 Baptists from most countries of the world will be at the meeting.

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PRAGUE (By Wireless to RNS) — Deletion of references to God from a children's prayer book translated into Russian by a Communist professor in Prague University has resulted in a demand by the Synod of the Evangelical Church of the Czech Brethren that publication of the translation be stopped. Prof. Kolman of Prague University received permission from the Synod to translate the book into Russian. When the edition was published, Czech Brethren leaders noted that Kolman had excluded God from the book and replaced Him with humanistic virtues. Where the book exhorts prayer to God, the translation says "let us be courageous," or "let us be faithful," and so on.

Angus Dun can be seen in fair weather bicycling around Rock Creek Park. . . Congress is still getting plenty of petitions from church groups favoring passage of S. 165, the bill to prohibit any liquor advertising from being sent in interstate commerce, which would virtually ban all such advertising in newspapers and magazines. . . General Douglas MacArthur's latest report on Japan discloses that 72 Protestant and 64 Roman Catholic missionaries have returned to that country from the U.S. since V.J. Day. . . Ten mission groups have given the Supreme Commander assurances that they can support missionaries sent to Nippon and thus are eligible to send representatives.

Mississippi Baptists---Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails." 1 Cor. 13:8

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"Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them." Jesus in Matthew 7:12.

I

We are at the beginning of the summer revival season. Unless we miss our guess, Mississippi Baptists have experienced a most fruitful evangelistic effort for the first five months of this year. Over one-half the people in Mississippi are lost. It is to our shame that this is true. We know sin is "hard and terrible, but for our part we are not willing to admit that the devil, the author of sin, is greater than God, the author of righteousness. As preachers and laymen, we sometime excuse our cold indifference and neglect with fatalistic statements. Jesus has saved one chief of sinners after another. He has saved one hypocrite after another holding church membership. Jesus is still "mighty to save!" We need to stay close to Him. We need to present Him as Savior and Lord. We need to see Him and study Him as He is presented in the Gospels until he becomes a part of us, and until we give ourselves completely to Him. We need to fall in love with Jesus all over again. Jesus says, "If a man love me, he will keep my words" John 14:23. His words are simple, clear, emphatic! Mark 16:15; Acts 1:8; Romans 10.

II

A number of trends in our Mississippi Baptist life delight us. Last year we saw more troubled pastors and churches than in any year in this work. More pastors and committees came to this office with their problems last year. All this was probably largely due to the readjustments natural in after war days. Throughout this year, pastors and churches, for the most part, are happy in their work, and God seems to be blessing them everywhere.

It is regrettable that a man has to be killed and his body thrown in a river in order for the people to get stirred up in the matter of civic righteousness. The trend along this line is very helpful. However, we need to remember that we have had other great law enforcement campaigns in Mississippi, and because we have neglected soul winning and evangelistic efforts we have in the end wound up about where we were and sometimes worse. Until and unless people are born again, they are not going to look sympathetically upon these things. Jesus teaches us that in these words, "When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest, and findeth none. Then he saith, I will return into my house from whence I came out; and when he is come, he findeth it empty, swept, and garnished. Then goeth he, and taketh with himself seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter in and dwell there; and the last state of that man is worse than the first. Even so shall it be also unto this wicked generation."

There is a recrudescence of conversation in many sections of the state right now regarding a Baptist University. On yesterday talking with a pastor and Board member with real vision we were asked why should a missionary, medical student, have to go away from a Baptist school to get his training. Why should we not have a department of journalism in a great Baptist University? Why should we not have radio technique, aeronautics, and such like in a Baptist University. Mississippi Baptists will have to face such issues and they will never be settled until they are settled right.

III

Notice to Church Treasurers, Pastors, et al. At the end of June, we will be printing receipts through this office for the first six months of this year. Our books close promptly the last day of the month. Those churches desiring monies to show in this printed list of receipts should have such monies in this office promptly, not later than the last day of the month.

IV

All of us in these offices appreciate the many fine services of Miss Nettie Ree Traylor. She is one of our finest workers. She and her family have a prayerful remembrance in the home going of her father. Psalm 23. John 14.

V

As Brother Wilds and Brother Williams come telling of fine work of study classes at Griffith Memorial, we congratulate Pastor Ferrell and the folks down there. For many years this church has given large emphasis to this phase of development, and it has paid good dividends. Until this day the largest School of Missions we recall during our days in the pastorate was in this church. The attendance was above 200 each night. This was when it was a small church with Training Union running 30, 40, or 50, the Sunday School averaging 134 attendance, and the membership at something over 400. The year before we went to the church, it came off the Mission Board.

VI

At a recent session of the Evangelistic and Stewardship committee, it was decided best to hold to our regular season for our Mississippi Baptist Evangelistic Conference. That season for some years has been the last week of February, making it in this instance, February 24-27, Tuesday through Friday.

The committee further stressed the importance of all churches participating in the Evangelistic Visitation campaign if they have not already done so. They emphasized the importance of taking and using the census. They recommend and urge that every association plan an associational simultaneous soul winning and evangelistic program in 1948, this to be over and above their regular annual revival.

They recommend that our Mississippi Stewardship and Tithing campaign be integrated with the Southern Baptist Convention emphasis.

VII

IMPORTANT!!!!

This office badly needs a copy of 1946 Association Minutes from each of our 72 associations. We need these minutes NOW, in keeping materials relating to the work of Christ not only in our own state but beyond. We will appreciate it if associational clerks, moderators, or some interested pastor

or layman would see that we get a printed copy of your Associational Minutes right away.

VIII

For the first time we heard our pastor, Brother Nolan Kennedy, at a prayer service. We enjoyed the message and the service.

We appreciated the invitation to the picnic given by the ministerial students and their wives of Mississippi College. The fellowship was fine, and the picnic lunch very enjoyable. We umpired in a very warm ball game between two very fine groups of preachers. No one was hurt.

On Sunday we were happy to be in First Baptist Church, Columbus, for two services. Their spirit was fine and very earnest as they face the choice of another pastor. Congregations were large.

We were delightfully entertained in the Allen Puckett home. Mr. and Mrs. Puckett, along with other members of the family, are outstanding leaders in this great church.

We heard many commendations of the work of Dr. and Mrs. Franks as they go to their new work in Europe. They are greatly loved by this congregation.

In the early evening we brought a brief message to the M.S.C.W. group in the Baptist Work Shop, Miss Margaret McClellan, B.S.U. secretary. Several states were represented and many of our Mississippi communities were represented. Miss McClellan has proved a very fine leader in this field.

Wednesday night during the prayer meeting hour we visited the splendid new addition to our Baptist building at Long Beach, Rev. W. A. Trotman, pastor. Brother Trotman has done a fine work here, and we regret to lose him to a Louisiana field.

Thursday night we were with the Elaine Baptist Church in a splendid prayer meeting hour. A large group had gathered; and though because of another engagement we were quite late, the congregation was waiting there in fine spirits. This church is in a strategic section and in a new building movement.

We enjoyed the evening meal in the home of Brother and Mrs. Cliff Hester. The affair was in honor of our pastor, Brother Nolan Kennedy, and Mrs. Kennedy. The Hesters are some of our finest leaders and we appreciate their friendship.

Durant has a lovely new school building along with some splendid houses of worship. We were delighted to speak to the graduating class before a great audience on Friday evening. Pastor C. M. Day, our fine leader there, led the invocation, and Superintendent Carruth presided at the exercises.

Sunday we had the privilege of being at Enon near Batesville in the morning and at West Marks in the afternoon with Pastor Leslie E. Calder and his fine people. Both of these churches have been organized within the last two or three years and are in new houses of worship. Some fine work is being done. A mission offering was taken at each place. Brother Calder is another one of these very fine spirited Mississippi Baptist pastors proving an excellent leader.

At night we were at Itta Bena Commencement service with Superintendent Chas. Murphy, a friend from college days. The service was held in the Baptist Church, Brother A. L. Gatewood, pastor. You will be hearing from this preacher, Gatewood, because he has energy, vision, compassion, and so forth.

IX

We think one of the finest tributes paid to Jesus is found in Acts 10:38, "He went about doing good," the words, "and healing" follow.

It is certainly true of our physicians, surgeons, and specialists today that they go about doing good. We have many friends in this field too numerous to name them all to whom we feel like paying tribute again and again. There is Dr. R. C. O'Ferrell of the firm, Shands-O'Ferrell, who has been a fine friend and helper through the years. Dr. W. R. Bethea, with whom our brother has had a great fellowship for many years, is now joined by his son, Dr. Ralph Bethea. Then we think of Dr. G. A. McCarty, Dr. May, the two Dr. Hughes, Dr. N. C. Womack, Dr. Ware, Dr. Magee, Dr. Walker, Dr. Harris, Dr. Wall, Dr. Berman, Dr. Ainsworth, Dr. Garrison, Dr. Thompson, and many others of Jackson; the Dr. Flynt family of Meridian; Dr. Platt, Columbus; Dr. Seale, Holly Springs; Dr. Avent, Grenada; Dr. Simmons, Cleveland; Dr. Cockerham, Gunnison, Dr. Barnett, Clarksdale; Dr. Knox, Vicksburg; Dr. Montgomery, Burnsville; Dr. Yates, Dr. Hand, and Dr. Harrison, Philadelphia; Dr. Anderson, Booneville; Dr. Slaughter and Dr. Pierce, Jonestown; Dr. Reynolds and Dr. Ashford, Clinton; and others just as fine all over the state. Any partial or complete list of medical men in Mississippi would be incomplete without the name of Dr. Underwood. In the hospitals, in the home, in the city, in the town, in the village, and in the country, splendid physicians, surgeons, dentists, optometrists, and other specialists serve the people—they go about doing good. They are greatly loved and admired by the rich and the poor, the old and the young. These professions are among the greatest of all fields of service.

X

MORE TITHING TESTIMONIES

"We started tithing because our consciences wouldn't let us do otherwise. We continue to tithe because we do not want to miss the joy and blessings that come with it."

DR. and MRS. M. L. FLYNT, JR.

"We have been tithers for years and under no circumstances could we be persuaded to make a change. Our spiritual blessings have been numerous."

MR. and MRS. J. I. COTTRELL

"There is genuine joy in tithing. It is simply dealing honestly with the

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"Thy Word Is Truth"

All denominations have their doctrines, dogmas, or truths, which through the years, have distinguished them from other religious groups. Many of these fundamental principles caused the formation of many of our evangelical groups. Doctrines are to be taught. Our largest group for teaching is in the pew and the pastor is the teacher. Pastors who speak out boldly and unequivocally are preaching to full houses, for our people recognize and appreciate truth.

But when a definitely doctrinal sermon is announced what is the attitude of Mr. Average Member? Does he anticipate that message, or does he take opportunity to absent himself from the service?

Those who hold positions of responsibility in the church, deacons, teachers and officers in auxiliaries should be grounded in Baptist doctrine, but too often they do not know how to speak with authority, or to give satisfactory answers to pupils with inquisitive minds.

What are the principles which Baptists hold, which are also held by other religious groups? Immersion only is baptism. However the principle that baptism is necessary to salvation has never been a Baptist tenet, according to Dr. George W. McDaniel in "The People Called Baptists." Baptists hold to the opposite view, that salvation must precede baptism. "Close communion" is not a distinguishing Baptist doctrine. Catholics, Episcopalians, Presbyterians, Lutherans and Methodists baptize infants, but do not give them communion, or allow them to participate in the Lord's Supper, until years later.

Some distinctive doctrines held by Baptists are "the belief that the New Testament is the sole and sufficient rule of faith and practice; we believe in individual responsibility to God for the performance of duty, and that a church is a body of baptized believers equal in rank and privileges, administering its own affairs under the headship of Christ".

The believer has the New Testa-

ment, illumined by the Holy Spirit, as his supreme and absolute guide. Because of our belief in individualism we have ever been champions of religious liberty. Individual responsibility means freedom of choice. No person should be coerced. We will stand on the right of individuals to believe or not to believe.

Each local church is a democracy. There is no hierarchy among Baptists. Every organization from the association which brings groups of churches in a small area together to make reports of work done, and to hear messages of inspiration, the state conventions and the Southern Baptist Convention are all promoted by voluntary cooperation. No church may be assessed for funds or forced to participate in any program. The messengers to Conventions may approve certain matters for emphasis, but the matter of carrying out the program is left to the local churches, composed of individuals who may vote as a church to adopt or reject, to contribute to and promote the proposed project, or to ignore it.

Informed pastors and leaders may and do lead churches to adopt and follow programs, while lack of information may cause rejection. However, when information has been provided, judgment and choice are with the churches.

There crops up intermittently and of late, quite often, the cry for unionism. Many denominations are "trying it" and some of them after a few years, wishing urging dissolution. As Baptists we believe in voluntary cooperation and not organic union. There are many things in which we may cooperate as Christians, programs for civic and moral righteousness, etc., but not in unions which mean a surrender of doctrines. For ours are not man-made. They are from the New Testament.

Let us as Baptists request more doctrinal preaching. Let us as teachers study those principles which distinguish us as Baptists. And let us as members in the pew seek to know why we are Baptists.

We are not one of those who could be "anything else" as well as a Baptist. Are you? If you are, search your heart to see if you know Baptist principles and doctrines. The day may not be far distant when we need to know whereof we speak. Would you go to prison for your faith as did our Baptist forefathers?

The church and Christianity have spread under persecution. Religious liberty, which is receiving severe blows, may be something we will have to fight for again. It is on our statute books, but is

being down-trodden, and by our highest courts.

Baptists, think on these things!

—BR—

What About Carnivals?

In a recent editorial a secular newspaper in another section of the country did some straight talking that may be of interest to many communities in Mississippi. The editor said, in part:

It is the firm conviction of this newspaper that the modern carnival of the type that has been coming for the past few years should be discouraged from coming to our town.

They bring nothing to a community but a lot of noise and take thousands of dollars out of the community yearly.

It's true that the kids get quite a "kick" out of the rides and the general carnival atmosphere. If the carnivals would confine their operations to clean entertainment we would voice no objection to their coming here.

We heard a story from a school boy this week to the effect that a carnival showing nearby had taken \$21 from him in a game where the arrow goes 'round and 'round and you're supposed to guess where it will stop. Now we happen to know that this young man works for his money and that he could ill afford to be rooked for that amount. Some will say, "Well, he should have known better." Well, maybe he should have, but 90 percent of us don't always recognize a "skin game" when we see one.

The point is this: It seems to us that parents and citizens are being derelict in their duty to their children when they will allow carnivals that feature these "skin games" to come to their town. And the "skin games" are not the only objectionable features of some of them; the sideshows are sometimes not a bit elevating, in fact, they're downright dirty.

We understand that a carnival has to obtain a license from the city before they can operate. Why not boost the license high enough to discourage them?

The question is asked, if a community would spend the money that a week's carnival takes out, on playground equipment, and on ball diamonds and similar play materials, the kiddies would have these the year round, without the undesirable angles involved.

If you will notice, in Mississippi

this fall, when "cotton money" begins to come in, you will see the small towns and rural communities filling up with carnivals. Like the Editor, we wonder if they are not taking out money that should be used in ways to build the characters of the patrons, and to improve the communities where they camp.

If those responsible for granting permits would "shut down" on undesirable things, Mississippi's residents might have more money to purchase shoes and bread, and to support causes that mean up-building.

—BR—

Church Members Are Protesting Supreme Court Ruling

People throughout the land are greatly concerned about the recent ruling of the United States Supreme Court in favor of paying bus fares for children attending Catholic schools.

References to it were often made at the Southern Baptist Convention in St. Louis. Action expressing the disapproval of the Convention was also taken.

But the Baptist church at Clinton, North Carolina is doing more than pass resolutions. According to the pastor, Rev. Lowell F. Sode-man:

"Members of this church are sending protests as citizens to the Supreme Court for their ruling on the school bus issue.

"I sincerely hope our Baptist people and all Protestants will voice a thunderous disapproval of this decision of the Supreme Court."

—BR—

Selected Editorial

Each week we will publish what we consider one of the best editorials coming to our attention.—
Editor.

The editor of Zion's Herald, Methodist paper of Boston, Mass., is not enthusiastic about union services for churches in summer. He realizes that not to unite in such services is to be called "narrow" and "uncooperative," but he feels that when such meetings are over it will generally be felt that the attendance has not been much larger than each of the cooperating churches would have had. This Methodist editor says: "The results are horrible! The entire church program goes into a headlong slump. Church schools, for the most part, are discontinued, youth programs are forgotten, finances go all out of order because regular giving to the Lord is not considered to be a summer necessity. One New England parson became famous for instituting a Sunday called 'Black Envelope Sunday,' to be observed the third Sunday in September, when it seemed reasonable to expect the summer-straying-saints to be back in their fall-winter-spring pews."—The Watchman-Examiner.



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CALVARY BROTHERHOOD

The above is a recent picture of the Brotherhood of Calvary Baptist Church at Silver Creek. This Brotherhood was organized February 26, 1939, with the following charter members: E. A. Martin, H. H. Hartzog, R. H. Benson, C. G. White, D. C. Daniels, A. C. Longino, D. O. Miller, B. S. Waller, John Jobron, W. I. Peeler, I. A. Barr, C. P. Wells, Albert White, and Rev. C. O. Daniels. They have an enrollment now of twenty-six.

This picture was made on the second Sunday in May immediately after they had their first Brotherhood Breakfast preceding the Sunday school hour. Twenty-nine men attended the first Breakfast and on the fourth Sunday in May they had fifty-nine men at the fellowship hour. Over 300 attended Sunday school that day which was possibly the highest record the church has ever made. Brethren, our organization is an enlistment agency. Our business is to help other organizations. Surely the Brotherhood can claim for itself a great deal of credit for reaching that high mark in the Sunday school. Brother C. E. Spain, the present pastor, is using this organization in a marvelous way.

SECRETARY RECEIVES BUTTON

The Brotherhood Secretary was honored the past week by being invited to a dinner with the men of the First Baptist Church of Memphis. Judge John W. McCall, chairman of the committee on Brotherhood work of the Southern Baptist Convention presented the Secretary a gold button with the Brotherhood insignia on it. He made a gracious presentation that we shall remember forever.

Pastor W. L. Day Receives New Automobile From Church

The Louisville Church recently presented Pastor W. L. Day with a 4-door, 1946, Model Fleet Master Chevrolet.

The pastor writes that he and his family are deeply and humbly grateful for this expression of love and appreciation from the church.

Pastor I. F. Metts of Ackerman writes that their enrollment in the Vacation Bible School now in progress is the largest ever. The Intermediate department has enrolled 27, Juniors 44, Primaries 23 and Beginners 30.

MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST FOUNDATION RECEIVES \$10,000 INSURANCE POLICY

A \$10,000.00 insurance policy has been placed with the Mississippi Baptist Foundation to be administered for the benefit of three of our fine Baptist institutions, the Mississippi Baptist Orphanage, Mississippi Woman's College and Clarke Memorial College. This policy has made the Mississippi Baptist Foundation as the irrevocable beneficiary and the premiums will be paid by the donor for the rest of his life, or to prior endowment date thirteen years hence. Upon maturity one-half the income will go to the Mississippi Baptist Orphanage, one-fourth to the Mississippi Woman's College and one-fourth to Clarke Memorial College.

Since the premium on such policies with the Foundation as beneficiary can be deducted up to the 15% allowable on income tax, this makes it possible for persons with reasonably large incomes to take out policies on their lives at small cost to themselves.

Since our Government values our religious institutions high enough to make this concession, it would be an excellent idea for as many Baptists as possible to take out insurance for the benefit of our Baptist institutions and agencies. The Mississippi Baptist Foundation will be glad to furnish additional information to anyone upon request.

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The following have been recent visitors to the office of the Baptist Record: Rev. and Mrs. G. W. Smith, Pelahatchie; Rev. R. D. Pearson, Charles Alston, Larry Morris, Billy Permenter, George Ogden, Jr., Joe Ogletree, Tommy Gates and Ray Morton, Macon; Rev. and Mrs. H. A. Borah and son, Sammy, Sturgis; Mrs. Bessie M. Flowers, Jackson; Emma Faye Womack, Douglas Davis and S. A. Renfrow, Brookhaven; Rev. A. A. Jackson, Lake; Dr. Webb Brame, Yazoo City; Rev. and Mrs. Joe T. Odle, Joe Thomas Odle and Sarah Ann Odle, Gulfport; Dr. Norman W. Cox, Meridian; Dr. Paul G. Horner, Meridian; C. G. Hamilton, Aberdeen.

Universal Bible Sunday, sponsored by the American Bible Society, will fall on December 14 this year. The theme for the Bible reading-period is "One World—One Book."



BAPTIST STUDENT UNION

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MISS JUANITA KELLY

Miss Juanita Kelly, of Jones Junior College, Ellisville, was elected to the position of State BSU Third Vice-President or Devotional Chairman at the State Spring Retreat held at Sunflower Junior College in April. Juanita has an extremely important task. She will try, under the Spirit's leadership, to lead Mississippi Baptist students into more significant devotional periods of prayer and Bible study. Pray for her.

MANY CONTRIBUTE TO HAWAIIAN MISSION

Many Mississippians, both college students and other friends, are having a part in helping to pay the travelling expenses of Co Griffin on her Vacation Bible School Mission to Hawaii. As of now, \$288.96 have been received. We hope to have a total of \$500 before the campaign ends. Besides Miss.

State, mentioned last week as the first contributor, other contributors to date are: Ole Miss—\$30; Belhaven—\$9.50; Clarke College—\$26.60; West Laurel Baptist Church (Co's home church)—\$37; Friends at Baptist Bldg., Jackson—\$76.50; Blue Mountain—\$40.86; Lowrey Memorial Baptist Church, Blue Mountain—\$50. Miss. State gave \$18.50. Incidentally, did you know that Co is not only the outgoing BSU President at Blue Mountain and a 1947 graduate of that worthy institution, but during her college days there she has been a YWA Circle Leader, the chorister of the BSU Executive Council, a member of the College quartet and trio, president of the Junior Class, member of Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities, winner of the Florence Connally Tyler Award of 1947, and on and on?

POTPOURRI

At this writing, 177 Mississippians are slated to attend Student Week at Ridgecrest which begins a week from tonight. Continue to pray, especially that Christ might be given the pre-eminent place in the entire Retreat. . . Dorothy Symonds, of Ole Miss., is to be on the afternoon concert program at the R'crest Retreat. . . Was privileged to give a devotional message before the Intermediate Dept. of First Church, Jackson's Sunday School, to attend one night of Miss. Baptist Hospital's Religious Emphasis Week during which our pastor, Dr. Hudgins, brought the messages (his message was a great blessing the night I attended), and to visit again Miss. College's great campus, student body and administrative staff in recent days.

MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS

(Continued from Page Three)

Lord, for all we are and all we have belongs to Him who is letting us use it for a little while.

In tithing we recognize God as our partner. The tithe is His part from the investment. Do you know any other business partner who would allow you to keep nine tenths the profits?

Tithing is 'laying up treasures' in heaven, and therefore a means of growing in grace and faith, for 'where the treasure is, there the heart is.'

There is no peace nor satisfaction to a Christian equal to that in obeying God and having His approval. In Leviticus 27:30 we read 'All the tithe of the land . . . is the Lord's. It is holy unto the Lord.'

MR. and MRS. BRICE STEPHENS"

Help All Causes of Christ Through the Co-operative Program!

The Baptist Foundation is gathering finances for most causes of Christ. It is supported from Co-operative Program funds!

Our 1947 GOAL—\$1,000,000 through the Co-operative Program from Mississippi Baptists!

Woman's Missionary Union

President—Mrs. Whma B. Sledge, Jackson; Exec. Sec'y—Miss Edwina Robinson

The Annual Young People's Rally of Hinds - Warren Association of Woman's Missionary Union will convene at the Baptist Orphanage, Jackson, Miss., at 10:30 a.m. Friday, June 6, and the meeting will last until 2:15 p.m. All Sunbeams, G.A.'s, R.A.'s, Y.W.A.'s and Counselors from the churches in Hinds-Warren are urged to attend. Everyone will enjoy hear-

ing Miss Amelia Rappold, the guest speaker. She is from the Rachael Sims Home, New Orleans. Those who attend are asked to bring sandwiches, and cookies to be enjoyed on the Orphanage grounds. Mrs. Mize, wife of the Superintendent of the orphanage, acting as hostess, will furnish cold drinks. An interesting, inspirational, and refreshing day is promised to all who attend.

Gartin Addresses Miss. College Class Dobbins and Green Honored

Dr. Leroy Green, pastor of the Baptist church in Pascagoula and a graduate of Mississippi College, brought the baccalaureate sermon to the Mississippi College graduates on the theme of "Take Up Thy Cross and Follow Me." He told the graduates that the job of being a Christian was the hardest in the world, but that it led to a success.

The invocation was delivered by Dr. Gaines S. Dobbins of Louisville, Ky., and the benediction by the pastor of the Clinton Baptist church, Rev. N. M. Kennedy. Special music was provided by Mrs. Polly Cochran, member of the senior class, and by the choral choir.

Mississippi College's largest graduating class in the 121 eventful years of its history walked from beneath the Baptist institution's guiding arms Monday with the admonition of a former graduate, Mayor Carroll Gartin of Laurel, to go into the world and serve "your God, your nation and your community."

With this and the challenge of their president, Dr. D. M. Nelson to "Give to the world the best you have and the best will come back to you," 120 seniors, forty of whom will complete their work this summer, departed to share their culture with all mankind and to help make the world a better place in which to live.

In Auditorium

The impressive commencement exercise was held in the Clinton Church which was packed with relatives and friends of the graduates.

In a forceful message to the Class of 1947, youthful Mayor Gartin, a member of the college board of trustees and a civic and church leader in his community and state, reminded the seniors that, as citizens of this great Christian land, they "enjoy more liberty and more opportunities than any other people."

He observed that these blessings of a free people carry with them corresponding responsibilities, and that "you can best discharge your obligations and fulfill your responsibilities by rendering a real service."

Mayor Gartin reminded the seniors of the privileges they enjoyed because they lived in a Christian and democratic land, and a land that is powerful and strong enough to defend "our rights, ideals and principles." He referred to several great men of this country who had achieved success because they had lived in such a land and had taken advantage of the opportunities they were offered.

Shun Ideologies

In looking to the future of the

Southern Baptists Asked To Stress Christian Use Of Money

NASHVILLE, Tenn., — (RNS) — Southern Baptist churches are being urged to devote at least one major service of their summer revivals to emphasis on "the Christian's obligations regarding use of his money."

Dr. Duke K. McCall, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee, estimated that 10,000 churches in the denomination will hold revivals during the summer. "The stewardship emphasis is fitting in any revival because of stewardship's indivisible connection with Christian growth," he said.

The denomination is sponsoring a three-month "Prove Me" campaign this fall, with all members being urged to "test the tithe" during October, November, and December.

world into which the seniors are entering, Mayor Gartin emphasized the need of men of "strong minds and ready arms" to show this country "wants none of the foreign ideologies."

Challenging the seniors to "go out to make the world better, a little brighter for the people there," Dr. Nelson told the Class of 1947 that it may be the greatest class and that "greatness is measured by the service you render."

"You'll find greatness in service," Dr. Nelson declared.

Two honorary degrees were bestowed by the college upon former graduates and they were presented their certificates by Dr. Nelson. The degrees were awarded by the board of trustees, which also voted unanimously to name the new college administration building Nelson Hall in recognition of the tireless efforts and effective leadership of the institution by its president.

Dr. Leroy E. Green, pastor of the First Baptist church at Pascagoula, was awarded the degree of Doctor of Divinity and Dr. Gaines S. Dobbins, department head at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky., was awarded the degree of Doctor of Laws.

Dr. W. H. Sumrall, dean of Mississippi College, announced the presentation of special awards to students who had excelled in various activities, and presented the seniors upon whom degrees were conferred by Dr. Nelson.

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Princeton Theological Seminary conferred 100 degrees in its 135th commencement, the largest number in its history.



MISS ALMA SIMMONS HODGE

Coast Pastor's Daughter Wins High School Honors

Alma Simmons Hodge, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. G. C. Hodge, Biloxi, has been announced as the highest honor student of the class of 1947 with an average grade of 95.08% and delivered the valedictory address at the graduation exercises. Alma is no stranger to high honors. In her pre-school days, when five years of age, she won the state title in the Sunbeam Stewardship Declamation contest and in the fall of 1946 she was awarded first place in the state Intermediate Hymn Playing contest.

A native Jacksonian, her first public appearance was in the Cradle Roll Day observance, First Baptist Church, at the age of one month. For the past 16 years the family has resided in Biloxi, where her father is pastor of the First Baptist Church. She was taking part in sword drills before she could read, and through the years she and her older brothers, the late Lt. G. C. Hodge, Jr., and Bill Hodge, have been willing helpers and a wholesome influence in the life of the church. She has a long record of consecutive daily Bible readings, Sunday School and preaching attendance, serves as pianist for the Youth Choir on Sunday nights and sings in the girls trio and regular choir on Sunday mornings.

Alma was the first Queen Regent on the Coast and now works in the Y.W.A., which has for its particular assignment the serving of the Sunday suppers at the church, preceding youth choir rehearsals, and assistance with the Saturday night parties at the church for Keesler Field personnel, which has been featured by the church since the summer of 1941. In school activities Alma is, as were her brothers, a member of the National Honor Society, sings in the glee club and girls' quartet, played in the operetta and the senior class play, a member of the Grill and Scroll, National Journalism Society, elected by the High School Choral Music Department as most outstanding student of the year, and clicks a camera in the Photography Club. She has enrolled for the session of 1947-48 at Mississippi College from which her father and brothers were graduated. Her mother, the former Alma Simmons, is a graduate of M.S.C.W.

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The 40,000 word study of bacterial warfare made by Drs. Theodore Rosebury and Elvin A. Kabat was published last week and suggested in future wars, whole cities might be infected by bacteria and viruses.



Department of Church Music

LUTHER A. HARRISON, Secretary

SUMMER MUSIC PLANS

1. 100 Summer Schools of Music will be taught by 17 Summer Field Workers.

2. State Music Leadership Conference for Choir Directors, Pianists, Organists, Future Music Leaders, Pastors, and all who are interested in Music. The date: June 29-July 4. The place: First Baptist Church, Jackson, Mississippi.

3. Rodeheaver's Music Conference at Winona Lake, Indiana for all musicians July 21-August 1, 1947.

4. Music Week at Ridgecrest August 22-29 for all musicians.

5. State Music Convention October 3rd and 4th, First Baptist Church, Jackson, Mississippi.

6. Music for Revivals. We have listed about 60 musicians and ministers who are capable of leading the singing in a revival. If we can get the singers and the churches together we shall be happy to do so.

HYMN PLAYING CONTESTS

Below is a copy of the Jackson County Music Festival. This is a good example of progressive thinking and planning:

JACKSON COUNTY MUSIC FESTIVAL Program

Opening Hymn—Bro. C. R. Haire
Prayer—Rev. Bill Kyzar
Recognition of Churches
Welcome Address—Rev. L. E. Green
Hymn Playing Contest—(Juniors)
Hymn by Congregation
Hymn Playing Contest—(Intermediates)
Hymn by Congregation
Special Music—1st Baptist Church
Contest of Ensembles
Hymn by Congregation
Special Message in Song
Announcements of Winners by Judges
Benediction—Rev. Montie Davis
Master of Ceremonies—Bro. Ralph H. Young

DISTRICT HYMN PLAYING CONTESTS

Due to misunderstanding and conflicts beyond our control the Baptist Hymn Playing contest for District One will be held at Parkway Baptist Church, Jackson, Mississippi, Sunday, June 22 at 2:00 under the direction of W. C. Morgan, District Director. Watch your local papers and the Baptist Record next week for additional information.

District Eight will meet in Brookhaven, First Baptist Church, Sunday, June 8 at 2:00 under the direction of J. C. Pinson, District Director.

The other districts will be announced in this column and county or daily newspapers next week and will probably be held Sunday, June 22.

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U.S.A. Presbyterians elected a layman, Wilbur LaRoe Jr., as moderator in their annual meeting, voiced approval of the union with Southern Presbyterians, and outlined a \$17,444,231 budget for 1948 calling for \$6,290,595 for foreign missions, \$2,239,049 for Christian education, \$350,650 for theological education, and \$80,000 for the American Bible Society.

BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

Auber J. Wilds, State Secretary - - - Box 530, Jackson 105, Mississippi
Associates: Joe Abrams, Louise Hill, Clarice Conner, Alene Johnson

LAUDERDALE'S GOAL IS A STANDARD ASSOCIATION

Thanks to Miss Frances Kinard, Secretary of the Lauderdale Associational Training Union for a good report of their work and a corrected list of their officers for the year. Miss Kinard says "Recently we had an executive committee meeting and made plans for the rest of the year—On January 30th we studied the Associational Manual. This year we are stressing becoming standard—This is ONE of our aims." With these definite plans promoted by the officers as we know they will be, we have no fear that Lauderdale will be one of the TEN STANDARD ASSOCIATIONAL TRAINING UNIONS in Mississippi this year.

ROCK CREEK GEORGE CO. REPORTS NOVEL STUDY COURSE

Rocky Creek, George Co., reports a unique study course and a successful one. They met on Sunday, brought their lunch and at 1:30 went to work in the study of five books, two adult classes, one young people's, one Intermediate, and one Junior. They worked in classes 'til 4:00. They met again on Monday evening and finished the courses. Dr. Moseley, Rev. J. N. Holloway, Mrs. J. N. Holloway and Brother and Mrs. Percy Cooper (pastor) served as the faculty. At the close on Monday night ice cream was served—yum, yum! 110 completed the work to receive credit.

EAST McCOMB HAS LARGEST STUDY COURSE

East McComb reports one of the best study courses ever held in the state. With an enrollment in Training Union of 263, they enrolled in the Study Course 345, 82 more than is enrolled in Tr. U. with an average attendance of 265. Pastor Earl Edwards, and director J. McCollough are rejoicing over the splendid results.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

(1) Juniors, (2) All Others

Sun. (1) Prov. 14:25-27, (2) John 14:1-12

Mon. (1) Rom. 3:20-23, (2) Rev. 21:1-8

Tu. (1) Eph. 2:4-10 (2) Rev. 7:9-17

Wed. (1) John 6:37-40, (2) Rev. 21:22-27; 22:1-5

Th. (1) Luke 13:1-5, (2) Rev. 20:1-12

Fri. (1) Acts 16:25-31, (2) Matt. 6:19-23, 31-34

Sat. S.S. Lessons

"Please send me 10 copies of "An open letter to parents of Junior Church Members", is the note we received recently which is typical of how the Junior leaders are taking their work seriously and seeking the cooperation of the parents. These are printed letters and carry a wonderful appeal to the parents to cooperate in the work of the Union. Free from our office.

North Side Jackson reporting on their Daily Bible Readings Crusade give the information that 121 commitment cards had been signed. That means that many and more in this one church are daily turning to God's word for strength and wisdom. Our Bible Readers Crusade has

brought a blessing to thousands who would have continued to neglect this important daily devotional practice.

The Bible Readers Crusade leaflets, small enough to be used as a book mark, for the third quarter are already in our office and ready to be mailed to all who request them. Order as many as you will use. Try to enlist EVERY member of the church in this Bible Reading crusade. It is NOT just for those who are active in training union.

WEST CORINTH IS HOST TO LEADERSHIP SCHOOL

Three from the State Training Union office cooperated in a Leadership School for the leaders of Alcorn Co., the week of May 11th. Miss Hill, Miss Conner and Joe Abrams. There were six churches that had one or more car loads there for the work each evening and it proved to be one of the best schools we have had this year. Rev. J. B. Ray, pastor of the West Corinth church is also Associational Director and was not only interested in seeing that this leadership school was a success, but plans to use one of our summer workers for five or six weeks in July and August.

THE TITHE:

Abraham commenced it

Jacob Continued it

Moses confirmed it

Malachi Commanded it

Jesus Commended it

Our District Conventions are in session this and the next two weeks. Pray for their success.

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"SUMMER MISSIONARIES"

By William Hall Preston

On June 9, a dozen or more college students will board a clipper plane in San Francisco bound for the Hawaiian Islands to do volunteer Vacation Bible school work during the summer of '47. Ten hours later these "missionaries for the summer" will arrive in Honolulu to be met by the missionaries led by Rev. Victor Koon and Rev. Lindell O. Harris, president of the Baptist Bible School. Here they will be entertained in the homes of the missionaries.

From June 16-23, this group along with 150 other Baptist young people and leaders from the "Rainbow Islands" will study together at their "little Ridgecrest" near Honolulu. June 24 to August 1 will find them scattered among the several island mission stations ministering to the spiritual needs of the children through Vacation Bible schools and youth revivals. Ninety-four per cent of the island people are not Christian and the opportunity for soul winning is great. Upon completion of the summer work, August 1, the group will fly to San Francisco, where they will be entertained by Southern Baptist friends as they visit in churches and missions of California.

The expenses of these students are being provided by voluntary contributions from the Baptist students and their friends in each state.

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Back in Germany, Pastor Martin Niemöller reported that there was now more anti-Semitism in the United States than in Germany.

GOING PLACES

A. L. GOODRICH

Our Text: 1 Timothy 4:13c and 15b: "Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that they profiting may appear to ALL." Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe."

ANTIOCH IS NUMBER 865

Antioch in Clarke County is one of the newest names on the growing list of churches that have adopted the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record. The list of 24 was sent by David Belcher, Treasurer, whose address is Rt. 3, Crandall.

No doubt the people at Antioch are going to be more interested in Baptist affairs and do more for Baptist causes as all of them read more about Baptist work at home and abroad. The pastor of the church is Rev. A. W. McGrew of Butler, Alabama.

Record readers in Clarke county are now listed as follows: ANTIOCH 24; Center Ridge, 2; Crandall, 1; ELAM, 22; ENTERPRISE, 73; HARMONY, 36; KNIGHTS VALLEY, 18; PACHUTA, 32; Pine Grove, 10; Pine Hill, 12; PLEASANT GROVE, 17; PLEASANT HILL, 40; QUITMAN, 109; ROLLING CREEK, 35; SHUBUTA, 60; SOUENLOVIE, 25; STONEWALL, 144; Center Grove, 1; UNION 59; DESOTO, 36; OAK GROVE 17; BUCATUNNA, 11; MONTROSE, 45; MT. ZION, 25; HEPZIBAH, 15.

DURANT

We had the privilege of preaching the Commencement sermon for Durant High School on May 18.

The exercises were held in the First Church auditorium which was well-filled.

A fine group of boys and girls were graduated and the Durant folks feel that the past year has been a good one.

Holmes County Record readers are now listed as follows: BEULAH 23, Central 3, CRUGAR 21, DURANT 191, Ebenezer 1, Emory 6, GOODMAN 44, HORSESHOE 21, LEXINGTON 147, PICKENS 44, PLEASANT RIDGE 33, TCHULA 40, WEST 33, M. PLEASANT 46, Harland's Creek 1, OAK GROVE 15.

Belhaven BSU Installs Officers

The Installation Service of the officers of the Belhaven Baptist Student Union was held at the First Baptist Church of Jackson on May 7, 1947. State BSU Secretary Charles W. Horner gave an interpretation of the occasion and Owen Cooper made a talk, "Holding Forth The Word of Life."

The following officers received the challenge from Mrs. Charles Dean:

President—Peggy Holder, Louisville; First Vice-President—Mary Ann Martin, Brandon; Second Vice-President—Colleen Nordin, Jackson; Third Vice-President—Eva Frances Dixon, Liberty; Secretary—Catherine Wade, Little Rock, Arkansas; Treasurer—Lanette Weathersby, Jackson; B.T.U. Representative—Doris Nell Wallace, Carthage; Sunday School Representative and Ridgecrest Representative—Delle Rogers, Jackson; Y.W.A. Representative—Doris Catlin, Louisville, Kentucky; Reporter—Gene Howell, Lula; Baptist Student Magazine Representative—Jean Dalton, Hartsville, Tennessee; Talent Chairman—Martha Carolyn Wells, New Hebron; Extension Chairman—Mary Ann Martin, Brandon; Faculty Advisor—Miss Dorothy McCoy, Jackson.

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Russian Churches Must Win Youth, Says Sockman

CHICAGO, —(RNS)— The churches of Russia are faced with the crucial problem of winning over the generation that has grown up since 1917 without any knowledge of vital Christianity. Dr. Ralph Sockman, Methodist pastor of Christ Church, New York, declares in a recent issue of The Christian Century, non-denominational Protestant weekly. Dr. Sockman, who was one of seven representatives of the American Society for Russian Relief who toured Russia last summer, points out that this group of Russians was "born in a period of bitter reaction from a reactionary Church," and are now coming into control of the arts, sciences and politics of Russia.

"It does not look as if they were going to get this knowledge from the patriarchal priests, good men as they no doubt are," Dr. Sockman states. "The government leaves all religious education to the church and the home. What devout Russian parents may be doing in this regard we did not discover, and we saw no sign of Sunday schools or their equivalent." According to Dr. Sockman, interfaith and international activities will help the Russian churches to remedy this situation, particularly since "government officials expressed their willingness to have Russian religious leaders participate in assemblies outside the USSR."

Kremlin policy, however, "clearly is to prevent any intensive interchange of nationals until the Russian standard of living is raised to a level comparable with that of other countries," Dr. Sockman writes. "Perhaps the World Council of Churches will be able to cross the threshold which diplomacy is now finding so forbidding." Dr. Sockman says he was told "again and again" that Russian pulpits are free from governmental interference. But the Methodist pastor points out that the statement must be coupled with the Russian concept of preaching in which the sermon "traditionally occupies a minor part in the Orthodox Church, and preachers, both Orthodox and Evangelical, do not deal with political and social questions."

Although statistics regarding religious affiliations are not easy to obtain, Dr. Sockman reports Russian sources estimated that there are 22,000 Orthodox churches, some with 5,000 to 10,000 parishioners. Russian Baptists put their number at 300,000 baptized persons and 1,400,000 adherents. Dr. Sockman states that although the churches he visited were crowded, "I do not feel justified in asserting that Russia is experiencing a religious revival. . . . Only a minority of the people attend worship on Sundays."

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The work of our Department is making steady progress. It is a source of great encouragement to find in many quarters an awakening of interest in our work. To arouse interest on the part of God's people in the fight for law enforcement and law observance is the first step toward getting actual results. Once the people are aroused they get things done. Apathy is responsible for most of the prevailing evils about us.

Where the laws of our state are being flagrantly violated, Christian people should organize and demand law enforcement. From information that is available to any interested citizen, it would seem that in many of the counties of our state the law enforcement officers have sold out, lock, stock and barrel. In such cases criminals literally control and have full sway. We have records which reveal every person who has federal license to sell liquor in the state. The records of ac-

tual shipments of tax-paid liquors are also available. This leaves law enforcement officers without excuse. They simply do not go on operating where officers endeavor to enforce the law.

When a law enforcement officer takes oaths to enforce the laws of the state and sells out to the liquor crowd, he becomes the number one criminal of the county and should be dealt with as such. After all, the people can do something about it. The greatest need is for a Christian Citizens League to be organized in every county. Several have organized in the past few days. "Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people." Again, "Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord."

It was a joy to preach for Brother Fred Bookter, Central Baptist Church, McComb, both services Sunday, May 25. In the last few years we have assisted him and this good church in two revival meetings and it was a joy to renew friendships.

Stepping Stones To Peace

"If the foundation be destroyed, what can the righteous do?" The plain bitter, unadulterated truth is—the foundations upon which our very lives have been built are crumbling. We need more solid foundations upon which to press forward to a happy America—a peaceful America. I pray that America may some day return to a government of the people, by the people, and for the people—but faith in any government alone is insufficient. America must put her faith in God! This should be the first stepping stone!

The foundation of education is being destroyed through corruption of the children's minds by evolution and false statements in the name of science. Through the physical education program schools have destroyed the children's morals by allowing them to dress too scantily.

Has the word *Morality* or *Virtue* been erased from people's minds? Juvenile delinquency that is now raging in this country will not be curbed until the axe is laid at the root of the educational tree. The next stepping-stone should be: An educational system based on God's word. "Go to now, ye rich men, weep and howl for your miseries that shall come upon you. Your riches are corrupted and your garments are moth-eaten." James 5:1-2.

The whole economic structure has been based on getting all we could—through fair means or foul, regardless of who, got hurt in the deal, so long as it wasn't ourselves. The only plausible excuse offered is, "It's legal!" America must learn that there is a God in Heaven who will not tolerate a people who flagrantly break all His laws.

Honest and fair business systems should be a next good stepping-stone on the path to peace.

One of the false illusions is the attitude of: "Why work at all if you can't have a good time?" Most Americans have held on to their jobs down through the years, not from any motive of service to God, or service to mankind, even though their mankind consisted of their own families, but because of the pleasure they derived from the wages of their labor! Think of the fabulous sums spent in recent years on theaters, dance halls, and saloons! How far that money could have been used in helping to make the world better! Have we hit the "wreck" in recreation? We were so busy "eating and drinking, and rising up to dance", and play, that we forgot to look at the

preparations going on in Europe and Asia. Then we did take time to weep bitter tears because of the millions who were lost and maimed in the most horrible of all wars. Clean Recreation is the next stepping-stone.

Formerly American life centered around the home. It was the place where a man and wife could shut themselves in from the world beyond, and reign as king and queen in their tiny kingdom. The children whether rich or poor, had parental love and guidance, and above all a feeling of security.

With American parenthood seeking to gratify self, there are millions of children born and shifting for themselves with no one to care.

Godly homes are the source of our next stepping-stone, True Christianity.

Our forefathers risked the dangers of unknown seas in small sail-driven ships, and established homes among a savage race, in a country they knew nothing of, because they waded to worship God according to the dictates of their own hearts. There are three reasons they believed in Christ. First: They believed what they read in the book of books, The Bible. Second: They claimed to speak divine authority. They spoke with the power of the Holy Ghost. The Holy Ghost drove this testimony home to the hearts of the hearers with such force they were convinced that here is the truth! Third: They were willing to seal their testimony with their own blood, and because they had no doubt in their hearts, God rewarded them, because: They had Faith in God; they trained their children through an educational system based on God's word: they established honest and fair economic and business systems; clean recreation and a sensible amount was provided, and they had Godly homes, in which father, mother, and all the children worshipped God.

Let us place our feet upon these stepping stones, then God, who is able to do all things, will give us peace!—Mrs. J. E. EDWARDS, Cedar Bluff, Mississippi.

Northern Baptists re-elected Dr. Edwin T. Dahlberg as president, received a telegraphic rebuke from Harold Stassen for resolutions opposing Vatican representation, reported \$16,000,000 raised in their World Mission Crusade, launched a two-year "Crusade for Christ Through Evangelism", and appointed a committee of 15 to continue study plans for union with Disciples of Christ.

Unity Church Has Week-End Revival

By E. W. James

On May the 16th to 18th the Definite Christian Service Band of Sand Hill church conducted a week-end revival at Unity Church.

The group from Sand Hill was received graciously by the Christian people of the Unity community. The opportunity for service and the way in which it was received by the congregation was an inspiration to the hearts of the young Christians who conducted the services.

Arrangements for the revival were made by Rev. Orman Knight, pastor of Sand Hill. Members of the Definite Christian Service Band were: Junia Walley, Hoyt Walley, Jerrold Walley, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Walley, Loza Upshaw, Dona Lee Walley, Aliece Walley, Mrs. Orman Knight, Mrs. E. W. James, Mamie Ruth Walley and Mr. E. W. James, Superintendent of Sand Hill school. Rev. Newell Massey and Miss Glenn Turner, of Mississippi Southern College participated. This band of Christian workers and this revival is a direct result of the week-end revival conducted at Sand Hill recently by Rev. C. S. Moulder's Ministerial League of Mississippi Southern.

YOUNG PASTOR SPONSORS UNIQUE MISSION COURSE

At the Calvary Baptist church, Harrodsburg, Ky., the young people of the church are sponsoring a "house-to-house mission study course" with great enjoyment and benefit for the youth groups of this progressive congregation. The class meets in different homes nightly for the study period. The study is followed by a musical hour and Christian fellowship. The week was launched by a message from a native of Guam who spoke on Sunday morning at the church. The class is eliciting much favorable comment among the youth groups. The informality and the unhurried study period is proving popular.

The pastor who is promoting this is a native Mississippian, Rev. Clark McMurray, formerly pastor at Linn church in Sunflower county. He is assisted in the work by Scotchie McCall, Jr.

GENEVA (By Wireless to RNS)—Restrictions imposed by the government are seriously impeding the Church in Bulgaria, according to a report on the Balkan churches, released here by the Department of Reconstruction and Inter-Church Aid of the World Council of Churches. Among the "great difficulties" hampering a Christian revival, the report declared, are the exclusion of religious education and prayer from schools, confinement of Christian youth activities within church limits, and lack of paper, which has made religious publications virtually non-existent. Use of vocal prayer among Bulgarian troops has been banned, the report stated, and worship services may only be conducted inside churches, where government observers are always present. A number of seminaries and schools are still occupied by the military.

BLUE MOUNTAIN, MISS., May 23.—Mary Ruth Smith, Blue Mountain, and Patricia Williams, Philadelphia, were designated as the "best listeners" in the student body for the session 1946-47 by President Lawrence T. Lowrey during the general assembly and received boxes of candy as prizes.

COMMENCEMENT ACTIVITIES AT THE W.M.U. TRAINING SCHOOL

Miss Elizabeth Provence, State Young People's Secretary for Florida, was the speaker at the annual Vesper Service at the Training School on Wednesday, April 30. At this service the graduating class was formally inducted into the Alumnae Association and the Junior Class into senior responsibility. An impressive part of the service was the transferring of senior responsibility. An impressive part of the service was the transferring of senior garlands. The juniors then knelt and clasped hands with the seniors as the seniors sang "For You I Am Praying."

The fortieth annual Commencement was held Thursday evening, May 1. The Senior Class, numbering 71, was the largest graduating class in the history of the school.

Dr. Paul Caudill of Memphis, Tennessee brought the commencement address. His subject was, "Missions in the New Day." Dr. Caudill, recently returned from a 15,000 mile tour of South American mission fields, spoke of the pressing need for workers. "The world is still desperately in need of the Gospel," he said. "It is the saving force. There is no other strong enough to challenge us to meet our social problems. The Gospel continues to be the Good News of the world. It is the Way, the Truth, the Light, the Life. If we would change the face of the world we must change our own hearts. We must lay on them the Gospel of God to save men," Dr. Caudill concluded.

Dr. Carrie U. Littlejohn, principal of the Training School, in her charge to the Senior Class, challenged the graduates to find their task and lose themselves in it. "Your task is not to make something of self, but to take what you have, forgetting yourself, and make something of it. Whosoever would save his life must lose it, and whosoever loses his life for Christ's sake, and the Gospel's will find it," she said.

Those in the graduating class from Mississippi were: Mrs. Floriene Williams Byrd, Prentiss; Ruth Garcia (entered Training School from Mississippi, home in Buenos Aires, Argentina); Nella Dean Mitchell, Louisville; Olive Powell, McComb; Mrs. Irene Turner Prince, Leakesville.

Mississippi Calendar Of Prayer

- June 9—Ralph H. Young, Jackson County Associational Music Director; Junior R. A. Camp, June 9-14.
- June 10—S. C. Wallace, member Brother Committee Convention Board; Dr. F. M. Purser, LaFayette County Convention Board Member.
- June 11—Troy Mohon, Social Science, Clarke College; Miss Elizabeth Hutchins, Blue Mountain College faculty.
- June 12—John Martin Morrow, B.T.U. Director, Prentiss Association; Rev. E. A. Morris, member committee on Temperance.
- June 13—Rev. Chester Quarles, Pastors' Advisory Committee, District 3, Brotherhood; W. E. Strange, Mathematics Professor, Mississippi College.
- June 14—Joan Henderson, office secretary, Mississippi Baptist Brotherhood; Junior R. A. Camp, June 16-21.
- June 15—State Music Leadership Conference, June 30-July 4; Walter Huff, B.T.U. President, District 14.

Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Bracey Campbell

Lesson for June Eighth

JEHOVAH'S MAN, JOSIAH. II Kings 22-23.

DECLARATION. You will get very little out of this article if you content yourself with reading it. What, then? Read II Kings 22 and 23, now.

I. Judah in the Dust. Following the reign of good Hezekiah, his wicked son, Manasseh, had spent 55 years in doing, "that which was evil in the sight of Jehovah", thereby dragging the kingdom down into the dust. His son Amon was murdered after an evil career of two years as king, and Josiah came to the throne at the age of eight.

The enthusiasm of a vigorous minority had affected an outward reform under Hezekiah, but the restraints upon the licentious practices of the people imposed by this reform had been quickly and hilariously thrown off under Manasseh, and for 57 years the country had been declining into wickedness, with all its attendant evils. A gross and sensual idolatry had sapped ancient morals and corrupted the whole fabric of society. No people have ever been forced into respectability. At the first opportunity, a people who have been held in by restraints will throw them off and go wild in the indulgence of the forbidden practices. Thus it was, "Merry England", under Charles II, after the Puritan rule of Oliver. So Josiah came to rule over a people sold under sin.

II. A Good Beginning. He was only eight years old but, under the guidance of good tutors, he, "Did that which was right in the sight of Jehovah", undeviatingly obeying the commandments of his God. Josiah walked in the light he had and obeyed the law, till it became within him an overmastering sense of duty and an irresistible drawing of the divine hand; and he performed for God and Israel a work second to none that has been accomplished under the greatest and best of the prophets and kings of his people. How did a lad of eight come to begin like this? The answer is God. A good mother, no doubt, and early instruction in righteousness, but all under the eye of God.

III. Religion Gets A Trial. This trial of religion began with a revival. But of course! It always does. The Bible is full of accounts of revivals, each of which brought blessings inestimable to the people whom they affected. That not only, but all revivals begin in similar manner and proceed along similar lines.

In this case there was a renewed care for the house of God. The temple had fallen into a greivous state of ill-repair through neglect of its services and the diversion of the uses of it to other and base channels. For almost 250 years, with slight interruptions, the temple had been allowed to lapse into a state of neglect, and now it must be repaired, re-decorated as a mark of the respect in which the king and his people held the God who had directed its erection.

There was a new care for the will of God. His book was found and the king and his people turned to a study of it that they might know to do the

HATTIESBURG ORGANIZES MWC ALUMNAE UNIT

Mrs. Ernest Finch of Hattiesburg is the newly-elected president of the Hattiesburg-Forrest County unit of Mississippi Woman's College alumnae, following the meeting held on May 27th at the home of Dr. I. E. Rouse, MWC president, and Mrs. Rouse on the college campus.

Other officers elected at the meeting are: Mrs. W. E. Phelps of Hattiesburg, Secretary-Treasurer; and Mrs. Rouse, publicity chairman.

Members voted to outline plans for organization of MWC alumnae units throughout Mississippi, and to discuss arrangements for Homecoming Day, to be staged on September 9, the opening day of the 1947-48 session.

Mrs. S. K. Ward of Taylorsville, who was president of the MWC Alumnae Association when the college suspended operation in 1940, attended the meeting. She will continue serving in this capacity until all alumnae units are formed and meet together to elect new officers.

The following statement is an expression from Mrs. Ernest Finch, Lillian Lockhart of the class of '32, concerning the reopening of Woman's College.

"When the twilight shadows fall and I'm sitting all alone—

Then come memories dear to me of M.W.C.

When I think of all that she, thro' the years has meant to me,

Then my heart with love o'er flows, for M.W.C."

These words from our much loved college song filled my heart as I stepped on the campus of Woman's College late one afternoon recently.

As I approached Tatum Court there came to me a peace and happiness that comes to one who is going back

things written in it. The king found the Book of God and then the book of God found him. It is ever thus with those who find the Book and strive to find its meaning for them: It finds them, in their sin, their need, and in the remedy for their sin which the Book offers for God to all who will accept it.

The trappings and suits of insincere and formal religion are put away as being of none effect and high priest and king and people return to the worship of the holy one, "In spirit and in truth". And there will be recurrent need of this reform through all the days. Formalism, insincerity, hypocrisy, creep into the churches and men lose the sense of the spiritual and eternal in the performance of the outward.

The images are broken. Let the light tongue which speaks the shallow mind say what it is told to say in defense of the use of images in worship, the voice of the Lord God Almighty condemns their use, and all religious history adds the weight of its millenniums of undeviating testimony to the proposition that the use of idols debases worship and worshiper by leading to a worship of the thing created in place of the Creator.

God's Holy Day is kept. The Pass-over! But that was Jewish, a thing with which we have nothing to do! But Christians also have their Pass-over Lamb without the application of whose holy blood no sins are cleansed, no lives redeemed, no walk pleases God, no prospect of heaven held out before the pilgrim soul in journey through this vale of tears.

The Vacation Bible School of Mt. Gilead Church, Lauderdale County, will begin on June 9. Lonnie Knight will serve as principal of the school. An able corps of workers has been selected to work with him. Rev. Alex McGrew is pastor.—Mrs. Carl Harper, Reporter.

West Heights Church in Pontotoc County has recently purchased an acre of ground as a site for the church building. The purchase price was \$1,500.

home after a long absence. When I entered the Administration building I was amazed at the transformation that had taken place. Workmen had been busy night and day converting dingy floors into beautiful ones, as clean and golden as the sunlight.

Delicate pastel shades of wisteria, green, blue and pink have replaced the once drab walls and ceilings of class rooms and auditorium. It was a glorious feeling to see my 'Alma Mater' at last asserting herself.

How fortunate are the Baptists of Mississippi to have such a wonderful school in their midst. The Christian influence that lives eternally at Woman's College has been scattered far and wide, even into many mission fields. Once a girl enters her gates she unconsciously acquires that "Woman's College spirit", which has so often been envied by other institutions of learning. There is an atmosphere of goodness and wholesomeness that seems to permeate even into the soil and pine trees on the campus—tall pines that are symbolic of the straight, upright lives of Woman's College girls.

To all former students I must say that our newly elected president, Dr. Rouse, seems to be a man chosen of God to lead us in this great task. He possesses a dynamic personality and his enthusiasm and plans for this great school seem to be unlimited. He definitely has "that Woman's College spirit" of which we have sung so often.

But as he says, 'it is a gigantic task' and what a privilege we Baptists and alumnae have in being a part of such a great and worthy undertaking."

Clarke Mission Band Gives Program At New Sight Church

The Mission Band from Clarke College gave a Mother's Day program at New Sight Church in Lincoln County on May 11. In the afternoon the program was devoted to testimonies of members of the band about their conversion. Two Indian girls sang a duet in their native language. Members of the band are: Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Mahaffey and Son, (She is a native of Tunisia, North Africa, daughter of a converted native minister); Misses Irene Dan and Katie May Tubby (Indian girls); Arthur Derry; Mr. and Mrs. Homer Yarborough; James Clanton; Miss Stella Broadus; Mrs. Mona Maddox; Miss Gloria Guilbeau; Miss Mary Triplett; Jimmy Lawrence.

W. E. Douglas, Treasurer of New Sight Church states that the Clarke students are striving to purchase a bus in which they can travel and witness for God and any contributions will be appreciated. Gifts should be sent to the Clarke College Mission Band, Newton.

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Evangelistic singer Robert L. Cooper of Aberdeen, Mississippi, has open time from June 22 to July 15.

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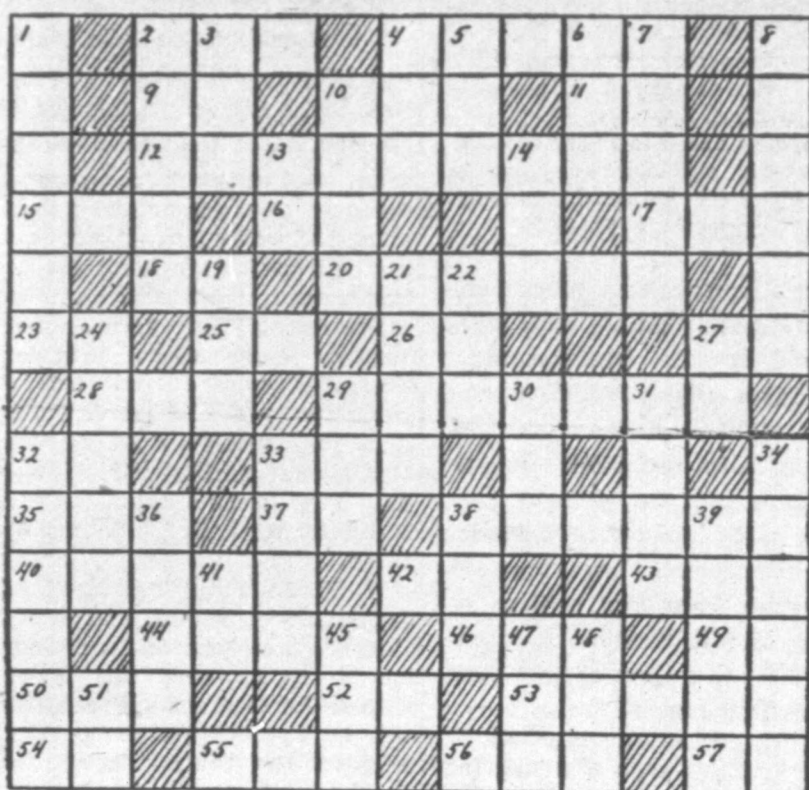
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- 2 "Joseph . . . his mother knew not of it" Luke 2:43
 4 "the child . . . tarried behind" Luke 2:43
 9 " . . . I am with you alway" Matt 28:20
 10 German
 11 "Suffer it to be . . . now" Matt. 3:15
 12 "and . . . in number daily" Acts 11:5
 15 Man's nickname
 16 Southeast
 17 "I am like an . . . of the desert" Ps. 102:6
 18 "his mother kept all these sayings . . . her heart" Luke 2:51
 20 "filled with . . ." Luke 2:40
 23 Doctor of Philosophy
 25 "after the custom . . . the feast" Luke 2:42
 26 Northeast
 27 "Why callest thou . . . good" Luke 18:19
 28 "thy father . . . I have sought thee" Luke 2:48
 29 "can add to his . . . one cubit" Luke 12:25
 32 Tin
 33 Court
 35 "both hearing them, . . . asking them questions" Luke 2:46
 37 "supposing him to have been . . . the company" Luke 2:44
 38 "thou hast found . . . with God" Luke 1:30
 40 "twelve . . . old" Luke 2:42
 42 Sun god
 43 Member of the Numismatical Society
 44 "And he went down . . . them" Luke 2:51
 46 "the grace of . . . was upon him" Luke 2:40
 49 Didymium
 50 "Joshua, the son of . . ." Ex. 33:11
 52 "Then said I, . . . Lord God" Jer. 1:6
 53 To mature
 54 Grand Secretary
 55 " . . . when they found him not" Luke 2:45
 56 "How much then is a . . . better than a sheep" Matt. 12:12
 57 Second note in scale
 Our text about the Boy Jesus is 2, 4, 12, 18, 20, 28, 29, 35, 37, 38, 44, 46, 55, and 56 combined

VERTICAL

- 1 "when they saw him, they were . . ." Luke 2:48
 2 Elsewhere
 3 Not

- 4 Gee
 5 Age
 6 "pray for them which despitefully . . . you" Luke 6:28
 7 "more tolerable in that day for . . ." Luke 10:12
 8 "when he was . . . years old" Luke 2:42
 10 "And the child . . ." Luke 2:40
 13 Civil Service
 14 "And he was . . . at that saying" Mark 10:22
 19 Bow
 21 "Jesus entered . . . Jerusalem" Mark 11:11
 22 . . . of Galilee
 24 Plush
 27 Same as 27 across
 29 "said unto him, . . . why hast thou" Luke 2:48
 30 Beverage
 31 "there was no . . . for them in the inn" Luke 2:7
 32 "understood not the . . . which he spake" Luke 2:50
 33 " . . . ye not that I must be about" Luke 2:49
 34 Resembling a bear
 36 "began to . . . toward the first day of the week" Matt. 28:1
 38 Exhaust
 39 "when thou wast . . . the fig tree" John 1:48
 41 Japanese measure
 45 "when they . . . fulfilled the days" Luke 2:43
 47 Anglo-Saxon money
 48 Noise
 51 "thus dealt with . . ." Luke 2:48

—BR—
 From April 14 to 26, it was my privilege to be with the Sylvan Heights Baptist Church of Memphis, Tenn., in a Training Union Revival. During this series of services, there were twelve additions to the church, one young life making a complete surrender to special service, and several rededications. Rev. F. W. Gillespie, a Miss. College Graduate, is the pastor of this good church. He is leading these people in a marvelous way.—LOYD SHELTON.

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Veterans Constitute 25% Of Those Studying For Ministry

NEW YORK, —(RNS)— Veterans training for the ministry constitute 25% of the total enrollment in 119 leading theological seminaries, according to a survey made here by the Commission on the Ministry of the Federal Council of Churches.

The survey also revealed that total enrollment in the seminaries studied has increased from 9,746 regular students in 1940 to 14,001 this year—a gain of 44%. Of the total, 3,437 are veterans.

Average enrollment in seminaries has increased from 82 to 118 students per school during the same period, the survey showed.

According to Dr. John Oliver Nelson, director of the Commission, the present enrollment of veterans, although large, does not tell the complete story of the interest former servicemen are showing in the ministry as a career. A great majority of veterans interested in the ministry, he explained, are still college undergraduates who plan to study at seminaries later.

Some colleges and universities, Nelson said, including Princeton, Yale and Ohio Wesleyan, have a higher enrollment of pretheological students than ever before.

"Candidates for church vocations

Church Plans Meet

Intermediate week at the Unity church, Pascagoula, featured exercises for the young people, in which five boys gave a brief talk on "If I Were A Deacon." H. L. Burgess, Mrs. T. H. Anderson and Mrs. Ora M. Berry are intermediate workers.

Miss Cannie Marie Crane will lead the Vacation Bible School a week, beginning June 9, with Zula Mae Crane, Ivon Landnier, and Oliver Ladnier as assistants. Mesdames H. H. Autry, C. F. Taylor, Wallace Harrell, Sam Bosarge, Phelan Whatley, Dovie Steele and Miss Ruby Whatley will work in the school.

Dr. W. E. Greene of Clarke College will lead in the revival which starts June 15. Rev. Ray Rust of Van Cleve will lead the music. Pastor Wallace Harrell is anticipating a great summer program.

are appearing in numbers not equalled during the past two decades," Nelson declared.

He cautioned church groups and theological schools that growing interest in the ministry by students calls for wise selection of candidates.

"The Church is better served with a fewer number of genuinely able, dedicated workers than with a great many who are half-committed and inadequately trained," he said.

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NEW ATTENDANCE RECORDS

We have been greatly encouraged at the number of Sunday schools that have this year set new records of attendance.

Of course, as long as there are unreached people in a community, there should be an increase in attendance. However, such things are not mere accidents. It is the result of good leadership, helpful planning and loyal cooperation.

We rejoice with the many schools that during 1947 have set new all-time records in attendance. We hope that many others may do likewise this year.

A vigorous program of visitation will help much in this.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLINIC IN AUGUST

The week of August 25-29 is the time for our Statewide Sunday School Clinic. This will be held in the First Baptist Church of Jackson.

The Sunday School Board, the State Sunday School Department, and the Jackson churches are cooperating in promoting this Clinic.

A total of 100 clinicians outside of the Hinds-Warren association will be guests for this Clinic. The only expense to these 100 will be transportation and a registration fee of \$2.00.

The clinic this year will be on Sunday school Administration. Therefore, if you want to get in on this Clinic as one of these 100, write us at once. The first 100 requests will be taken.

V.B.S. REPORTS ARE ROLLING IN

Even though it is early, a great number of Vacation Bible school reports are coming in. Since our last mention of this, the following have been received: Algoma, Ethel, Graham's Chapel, Lowrey Memorial, Union Taylorsville, Sherman, Thrasher, Macedonia in Tippah, Walnut, Sanford, Magee, Shady Grove in Tippah, Chalbeate, and Providence in Tippah.

We are so grateful for the promptness of so many in sending the reports as soon as the schools close. Have you sent yours? If not, do so at once.

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LARGE TRAINING CLASSES

During 1947 several Sunday schools have reported large training classes in the study of one book. Others have reported large numbers also in several different books during the same school.

We give below those reporting 50 or more awards in a class in the same book for this year: NewProspect, Union county association, Rev. Ernest Rakestraw, teacher, 55; Meridian First, Lauderdale association, Mrs. C. A. Carter, teacher, 57; Drew, Sunflower association, Dr. W. S. Hardin, teacher, 64; Hattiesburg Main Street, Lebanon association, Rev. John E. Barnes, teacher, 66; Hattiesburg Fifth Avenue, Lebanon association, Mr. P. E. Slade, teacher, 91; Hattiesburg First, Lebanon association, Dr. W. A. Bell, teacher, 84; Jackson Griffith Memorial, Hinds-Warren association, E. C. Williams, teacher, 104; Jackson Parkway, Hinds-Warren association, Dr. G. Norman Price, teacher, 125.

The fact that we are having these rather large classes in one book, as well as in different books during the week of study, is good evidence of interest in the training program to build bigger and better Sunday Schools. Our thanks to all who helped in this noble work.

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Twenty-Five Years Ago

By Rev. R. A. Eddleman,

Pastor W. E. Farr had Dr. H. M. King with him in a good meeting at First Church, Grenada. There were about thirty additions to the church, twenty of them by baptism. The singing was led by brother Joe Canzoneri.

Rev. William B. Haynie, an alumnus of Mississippi College and a member of this year's graduating class at the Baptist Bible Institute, New Orleans has been called by the First Church of Pascagoula, Mississippi, and will move on the field about June the 1st.

Brother F. P. Culp of Waynesboro has accepted the care of the churches of Chicora in Wayne County and County Line in Greene County.

Pastor Beckett and his good church at Philadelphia have decided to build a new pastor's home. The old one is most too small for a large family.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

June 1, 1947

	S.S.	B.T.U.
Jackson, First	1,143	396
Jackson, Southside	143	80
Jackson, Griffith Memorial	438	224
Jackson, Van Winkle	271	165
Jackson, Daniel	195	
Jackson, Northside	267	74
Jackson, Calvary	1,320	254
Jackson, Calvary, Including Mission	1,352	273
Eastside, Rankin County	75	49
Center Ridge, Yazoo County	57	34
Laurel, First	644	136
Laurel, West	403	116
New Albany, First	546	171
New Albany, First, Including Mission	577	

May 25, 1947

Cross Roads, Webster County	28	
McComb, East	380	242
Enon, Panola County	89	54
Agricola	98	51
Union, Pearl River County	128	81
Tucker's Crossing, Jones County	28	30

Public Schools Find Church Attendance Plan Successful

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., —(RNS)— Attendance of school children at religious services over the week-end is proving to be an aid in curbing juvenile delinquency here, it was reported by the Little Rock Council of Parents and Teachers in concluding the first year of a church-attendance plan in the public school system.

The program was inaugurated by the Council at the suggestion of Judge Lawrence C. Auten, of the Second Division Circuit Court, who reported that children who attend church and Sunday school are "not found in our courts as delinquents."

Junior high pupils who attend church and Sunday school two-thirds of the time during the year are given service credits at school, Elementary school children are rewarded with stars.

All of the 18 schools have reported an increase in attendance at religious services. It was found that the percentage of children not attending is small.

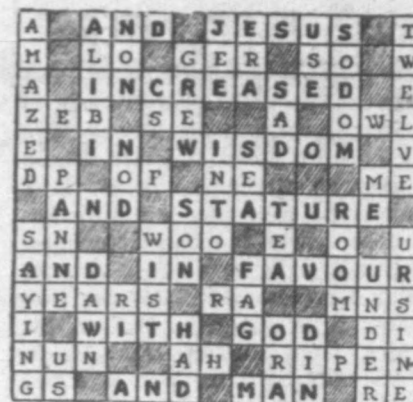
One school having an enrollment of 357 pupils reported that the total average attendance at church and Sunday school for the year is 96 1-2 per cent; 34 pupils have 100 per cent records, and only two boys have failed to attend Sunday school or church during the year.

"Teachers and parents cooperate by urging the children to go to Sunday school and church, and they accept the responsibility as a privileged duty," said Mrs. Ben A. Lincoln, chairman of the Council's committee on character and spiritual education.

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The Baptist Record is in receipt of resolutions adopted by the Mississippi Baptist Brotherhood Convention concerning Rev. J. H. Street, retiring Executive Secretary of the Brotherhood Department of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board. The resolutions express the gratefulness and sincere appreciation of Brother Street's work. The resolutions are signed by J. Wesley Miller, S. C. Wallace and Rev. A. Estus Mason.

Chaplain Arthur F. Glasser is the author of AND SOME BELIEVED. This is an epic told by a chaplain who landed on the bloody beaches of New Britain with the First Marine Division. It is a first hand account and one feels the poignancy of midnight farewells, just before a transport slips through the Golden Gate. The author shows the weariness of days and nights of fighting in the steaming South Pacific jungle and the Hand of God is strikingly revealed. Order from the Moody Press, 153 Institute Place, Chicago 10, Illinois or from the Baptist Book Store. The price is \$2.00.



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SPARKS & SPLINTERS

The Daily Vacation Bible School of the Crowder Baptist Church was held the week of April 28 to May 3rd. There was an average attendance of 82. Miss Valerie Sherrard, a teacher in the Crowder High School, was the Superintendent. She was assisted by Mrs. Jess Choate, Mrs. Wiley Harrison, Mrs. Martin Holcomb, Mrs. J. E. Griffith, Mrs. J. H. Bailey, Mrs. Loyd Shelton, Mrs. M. C. Moore, Mrs. Maurice Ellis, Mrs. Ed Ellis, Mr. W. P. Knight, Mrs. Estelle Shaw, Misses Frankie Harrison and Patsy Elliott, Mrs. Evelyn Elliott and Mrs. Ed Cooke. The comment of the people is that this is the best school ever held in Crowder church.

BLUE MOUNTAIN, Miss., May 27 — Miss Elizabeth Smith, Blue Mountain, senior at Blue Mountain College, has been awarded the scholarship offered annually by the Woman's Missionary Union of the Mississippi Baptist Convention.

Meadow Lark apartment house, purchased by Southern Seminary last fall, has been officially named Foster Hall, in honor of Rev. and Mrs. A. J. Foster, of Columbia, S.C., whose gift to the Seminary made the purchase possible. The three-story brick structure, located just across the street from Rice Hall and on grounds adjacent to the original Seminary campus, has twelve four-room apartments. It will be rented to members of the Seminary faculty and staff, beginning late this summer.

Ministers from 34 states, the District of Columbia, and from three foreign countries attended Southern Seminary during the school year just closed. Of the 753 men enrolled, 116 were from Kentucky, giving this state the largest representation. North Carolina was second, with 80, and Georgia, third, with 70. Others, in order, were: South Carolina, 56; Alabama, 54; Tennessee, 51; Mississippi, 40; Virginia, 35; Arkansas, 33; Missouri, 30; Florida, 25; Louisiana, 21; Indiana, 22; Texas, 17; Oklahoma, 16; Illinois, 15; New York, 11; West Virginia, 10; Ohio, 6; California, 6; Maryland, 5; Michigan, 5; Washington, D.C., 5; Pennsylvania, 4; Colorado, 2; New Mexico, 2. Each of the following had one: Arizona, Iowa, Kansas, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Montana, Oregon, South Dakota, and New Jersey. Foreign countries represented were: Brazil, 4; Canada, 2; and Cuba, 1. Because of sharp advances in building costs since the opening of the Memorial Chapel campaign, the Southern Seminary Alumni Association voted at its St. Louis meeting recently to renew the campaign, for an additional \$250,000 beyond the \$235,607.63 which was in the chapel fund on May 1. The Executive committee of the Seminary have been instructed to draw up plans for the chapel building and to begin actual construction, on a pay-as-you-go basis, at their own discretion.

The Training Union Study Course of the Crowder Baptist Church was held the first week in May. Rev. Claud Howe of Courtland was the teacher of the Adult Group, Miss Valerie Sherrard taught the Young People, Mrs. J. O. Wood was the Intermediate teacher, and Mrs. H. E. Tedford taught the Juniors. 59 people were eligible for awards. A remarkable difference is already evident in our Training Union and we are grateful to God for these people who so inspired us with their witness for Christ. They challenged our best.—LOYD SHELTON, Pastor.

An invitation has come to the editor's desk to attend the graduating exercises of the Mather School of Nursing of Southern Baptist Hospital on the evening of June 10 at the First Baptist Church, New Orleans, La.

Mt. Gilead Church, Lauderdale County, will have special services on the fourth Sunday in July in commemoration

Newly Elected President Of Extra Curricular Groups BMC



BLUE MOUNTAIN, Miss., May 27 — Newly elected presidents of extra-curricular groups of Blue Mountain College top row, left to right: Kathryn Jewel, Meridian, President of the B.S. U. Council; Elizabeth Smith, Blue

Mountain, President of the Athletic Board; and Doris Dempsey, Waltham, Massachusetts, President of the Modenian Society. Bottom row, left to right: Bonnie Gene Boland, Calhoun City, President of the Senior Class;

Betty Cooper, Ventura, California, President of the Sophomore Class; Jean Stinson, Old Hickory, Tennessee, President of the Eunomian Society; and Hazel Rodgers, Yazoo City, President of the Junior Class.

of the one hundredth anniversary of the church. The program will be announced later according to Pastor Alex McGrew.

The Home Mission Board will publish "The Holy Spirit in Missions", a new book by J. B. Lawrence.

BLUE MOUNTAIN, Miss., May 28 — Sports representatives and society representatives on the athletic board of Blue Mountain College for the session 1947-48 have been announced. Sports representatives: Golf, Doris Dempsey, Waltham, Mass.; Basketball, Mary Blanche McMullen, Sumner; Baseball, Jeanne Nelms, Gadsden, Ala.; Swimming, Norma Jean John, Jefferson City, Mo.; Badminton, Glen Nell Stringfellow, Wilmer, Ala.; Tennis, Mary Dee Russum, Hattiesburg; Volleyball, Mary Louise Rappold, New Orleans, La.; Archery, Lois Philpot, Holly Springs; Ping Pong, Hazel Rodgers, Yazoo City. Society representatives: Eunomian, Margaret McMullen, Sumner; Euzelian, Mary Williams, New Albany; Modenian, Ann Summers, Olive Branch.

NEW ORLEANS, —(RNS)— A \$100,000 center and library for youth of all creeds was opened in Algiers, across the Mississippi River from here, by the Rev. Lee R. Shelton, pastor of First Baptist church. The project, dedicated to Lieut. Herman D. Coley, the church's first boy to die in the war, comprises a library of 12,000 volumes, a radio studio linked with local stations WDSU, WJMR and WJBW, game rooms, nurseries and the classrooms. He got the idea for the center during the war when youths were without recreational facilities. Several rooms below the Baptist church were made available as a youth library. The number of children who frequented this small "nook" was so large that plans were drafted for enlargement.

New Hope is the name of a new church recently organized in Calhoun County. Missionary R. B. Patterson writes that the church has decided to place the Baptist Record in their budget on the EVERY FAMILY Plan, and that names will be sent in by the clerk soon.

Rev. O. O. Haley began his work as pastor of the First Baptist Church, Holden, Louisiana on June first. For the past 18 months Pastor Haley has been associate pastor of First Church, Amite, Louisiana.

Lone Pine Church, Madison, Rev. C.

O. Estes, pastor, went from two afternoon services a month to full-time services on May 18. With the heavy duties on the pastor in his work at Center Terrace, Canton, B. W. Sibley is serving as associate pastor until the revival which is scheduled for June 29 to July 4.

Due to conditions beyond our control it is impossible to publish in this week's issue attendance reports for Sunday School and Training Union received after Monday. Those received later will appear in the issue of June 12.

Rev. Orman Knight of Sand Hill Church, Greene County, spoke on Missions at West Salem Church, of the same county, on May 22. The message was an introduction to a county-wide mission emphasis program. Rev. C. B. Saucier, pastor of Brewer Church, Perry County, and West Salem will assist Mr. Knight.—Mrs. Bill Smith, reporter, West Salem Church.

Evangelist B. H. Benton of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board preached in a revival at East Side Church, Pascagoula, A. L. Ott, pastor, the week of May 18-25. The music was directed by Rev. W. W. Kyzar, Jr. and Miss Jerry Benton served as pianist. There were three professions of faith, one addition by letter and nine rededications. During the revival only one service a day was held, but a record attendance for church services was reached and the Sunday School attendance was also increased.

H. Paul Briggs, evangelist, singer and pianist, has open dates in July and November. He may be reached at 2100 N.W. 22nd St., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, or through the Baptist General Convention, 223½ West First St., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

FROM BONDAGE TO FREEDOM by B. H. Duncan is a group of 14 sermons, all except two of which are based on New Testament texts and are chiefly evangelistic. The author places Jesus central in his preaching and the sermons contain truths that cannot be expressed too often. Dr. Duncan is editor of The Arkansas Baptist, a Kentuckian and graduate of Bethel College and the Southern Seminary, both in Kentucky. Having held pastorates in Kentucky, South Carolina and Georgia, the author for the past nine years has been pastor of the Hot Springs Church, Arkansas. Published by the Broadman Press, the book may be ordered from the Baptist Book Store for \$1.35.

MAGNOLIA HONORS OCTOGENARIAN TEACHER

Mrs. J. R. Carter who is soon to celebrate her eighty-first birthday was honored by a surprise shower in the home of Mrs. Thomas Mitchell on May 19. The shower was given by the W.M.U. and the T.E.L. Class of the First Church of Magnolia in recognition of her many years service in W.M.U. and as teacher of the class. Many useful and appropriate gifts were presented and several speeches of appreciation were made. Twenty nine ladies were present.

Mrs. Carter is the widow of the late Rev. J. R. Carter, for many years superintendent of the Baptist Orphanage. She was employed at the orphanage for nearly 30 years, both prior to and following her marriage. Her outstanding service to the institution is appropriately recognized in Boyd's History of the Baptists in Mississippi. Since her retirement, she has made her home with her brother, A. J. Flowers, and his family in Magnolia. Another brother is Rev. Madison Flowers of Goodman.

The following have been recent visitors to the office of the Baptist Record: Miss Maxie King, Canton; Rev. Mayo M. Brown, Clinton; Rev. B. E. Phillips, New Hebron; Rev. Earl C. Edwards, Edwin Etheridge, E. L. Boyd, Joseph Lee Nettles, Emette Hamilton, Larry Boyd, Jerry Andrews, Howard Brister, Johnny Guyl, Bucky Dunaway, Jack Edwards, McComb; Rev. and Mrs. B. N. Sibley, Canton; Rev. C. P. Jones, Clinton; Ivaloy Bishop, Birmingham, Alabama; Dr. J. D. Ray, Starkville; Dr. H. L. Martin, Senatobia.

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. —(RNS)— Distances of bars from churches and schools may now be regulated by local city commissions and councils under a bill passed by the Florida state legislature.

Dr. R. G. Lee of Memphis is doing the preaching in the current revival at Philadelphia, First Church, Dr. Walter L. Johnson, pastor. Rev. J. Roy Bethune, associate pastor of the Ellis Boulevard Church of Memphis is directing the music.